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SUBJ: DAC DONOR PROGRAMS FOR THE URBAN POOR

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1. NORWAY DOES NOT DIRECT ANY BILATERAL DEVELOPMENT ASSIST-
ANCE SPECIFICALLY TO THE URBAN POOR, NOR ARE THERE ANY
PROGRAMS PLANNED IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

2. ACCORDING TO LEIF VETLESEN, INFORMATION DIRECTOR OF
NORAD, THE NORWEGIAN AID AGENCY, NORWEGIAN BILATERAL
ASSISTANCE IS AIMED AT THE "GRASS ROOT" LEVEL IN THE
COUNTRYSIDE. EMPHASIS IS PUT ON HEALTH, FISHING,
EDUCATIONAL, AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT. NORAD BELIEVES AID
TO THE COUNTRYSIDE SHOWS MORE IMMEDIATE EFFECTS THAN
AID TO THE URBAN POOR, CAN BE BETTER UTILIZED AND
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CONTROLLED, AND ENCOURAGES POPULATION MOVEMENT STABILIZATION.

3. CERTAIN BILATERAL PROJECTS DO AFFECT THE URBAN POOR. VETLESEN MENTIONED VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, DISABILITY AND REEDUCATION CENTERS AND SOME OF THE WORK OF THE NORWEGIAN PEACE CORPS IN THIS REGARD. THE LARGEST OF THESE PROJECTS IS A VOCATIONAL SCHOOL RUN BY THE "SWALLOWS" ORGANIZATION IN LIMA, PERU.

4. NORWAY CHANNELS ALMOST 50 PERCENT OF ITS AID TO MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS, SOME OF WHOSE PROGRAMS ASSIST THE URBAN POOR. FOR EXAMPLE, NORWAY CONTRIBUTED \$19 MILLION TO THE UNDP AND \$4 MILLION TO THE UNFPA.
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